

DETERMINING A PROBABLE CASE FOR SCHOOLS

Has the individual had a known exposure to someone with COVID-19 (confirmed or probable) in the last 14 days?

Yes, there has been a known exposure.

Is the individual having symptoms?

NO

Not a probable case;
no contact tracing
needed at this time.

Recommended
quarantine of 7-14
days from exposure
date if unvaccinated.

No quarantine
required if fully
vaccinated.

YES

Does the individual have either:

Two (2) of the following symptoms:
fever, chills, body aches, headache, sore
throat, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea,
fatigue, congestion or
runny nose

-OR-

One (1) of the following symptoms:
Cough, shortness of breath, difficulty
breathing, new loss of taste or loss of
smell?

NO

Not a considered a probable
case; no contact tracing
needed at this time.

If unvaccinated, individual
does still need to quarantine
due to their known
exposure.

Recommend individual see
their HCP or seek testing to
rule out potential infectious
illness since they are
symptomatic.

YES

Individual is a probable case
and should start isolation for
10 days from symptom onset.

Contact tracing should begin
as normal for any probable
cases.

No known exposure.

Is the individual having symptoms?

YES

Not considered a
probable case; no
contact tracing needed
at this time.

Recommend individual
see their health care
provider (HCP) or seek
testing to rule out
potential infectious
illness.

NO

No need to isolate or
test at this time.

Have individual
continue to monitor
for symptoms and
wear a mask to
reduce risk of
transmission should
they have a future
exposure.

Anyone who has symptoms should test
to rule out COVID-19.

If a symptomatic or exposed individual
gets tested, they should quarantine at
home until they receive test results.

If test is positive, the individual should
isolate at home for 10 days from
symptom onset or from test date if
asymptomatic.

If the test is negative and the individual
was deemed a probable case, they
should continue the rest of their 10-day
isolation.

If the test is negative and the individual
was exposed, they should continue to
quarantine as directed. A negative test
in an exposed individual only shortens
quarantine if it is a PCR test day 5 or
later from the exposure. The individual
can then end quarantine after day 7 if
they have been and continue to be
asymptomatic.